SHEEP AND COWS FAIL TO ALLURE.

Slim Attendance at the First, Rutherford Stuyvesant's Tranquility Boy: Opening of the Live Stock Show.

Plenty of Barn Yard Aroma, but No Pretty Milkmaids.

Most Exciting Feature Was the Ironing of the Patient

SMALL BULL TAKEN FOR A BEAR.

Carpenters Still at Work on Pens for the "Critters," and the Shearing Contest Did Not Take

To judge from the opening day of its exhibition the National Association of Exhibitors of Live Stock is not going to be taken up by fashionable people, perhaps big building yesterday was fragrant with the odor of cattle, that odor that physicians say wil ido more to cure consumption than even the balmy odor of the lines, but oh, where were the pretty frocks and bonnets, the smart hats and buttonholes of the Horse Show?

The centrast was killing. How could one npare the immaculate collars and scanty trousers of, say, Reggy Rives and Prescott Lawrence with the strictly bucolic make the gentlemen who passed judgment n the cattle, sheep and aristocratic trotter, the enterprising hunter and the self-consclous high stepper? Those hats! They ON DUTY WHEN DEATH CAME. too much! and not even the associations of that ring hallowed by the memories Head Watchman Wilson of the Equitable of so many spotless garments could efface spall

seem to know this. The public appears to where he has been employed as head watchman since he retired from the police force, thirteen years ago. people whose names are familiar and the c positively does not know a Poland- of China pig from a blue-blooded representative of the Berkshire breed, a short horn pany's rom a Hereford, nor a Southdown from a

Never before, probably, in the history of the world, was there a population so totally da gnorant of agriculture as that of New and York—cosmopolitan in every sense, yet sel- LEAVES A CONTEST TO SMYTH. dom, if ever, halling from a country disor a sheep or a pig, are spoken of with any

onsidered a success, not financially pervass in the Tenth Assembly District.

Aps., but a succes d'estime. But this year Chairman Oakley announced at the after gement is deprived of what is always a smyth shall ha rawing card with the general public—the

yesterday afternoon. The finishing touches that the attendants were putting on the cattle and sheep were strictly en regie. That is a part of all such shows. The trusty shepherd goes enrough evolutions that are unintelligible to the general public, but are supposed to help the sheep to gain ribbons. What the sheep thinks about it when his fleece is carefully flattorioned, is unknown, but he seems to feel that every thing is all right, while his "valet" clips off the odd tags of wool and then dresses him down with a preparation that in general appearance and effect resembles a dark russet shoe varnish.

As for the cattle, they seem prepared to stand anything. There is a big black bull in the Garden, a speciment of the breed here known as Aberdeen—Angus, though in Great Britain and Ireland as Polied Angus. This is the breed that made a little girl exclaim yesterday afternoon: "Why, mommer, do they have bears here?" Any how, this big black fellow, cemfortable, sleek and hornless, went through an operation of exhibition to an admiring crowd of connoisseurs that would have tried the temper of an arch-angel. His attendant, dear old rustic, with ruddy, clean-cut fentures, which seemed sorely out of place so near Broadway, hauled him about by the rope attached to the ring in his nose as if he was "toling" a sack of corn from the granary to the chicken house. The buil never made a remark. He did not look as if he liked it, but that was all. If he had been a city buil he would never have stopped charging till he had deposited the healthy rustic in the least blue. deposited the healthy rustle in the

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bleycles and a live stock show is not apparent, but a display of a patent food at the Fourth avenue end of the building was flanked by an exhibition of a well-known make of wheels. The farmer may have adopted the wheel as an appropriate mount for Mary when she goes fo call the cartie home, but clse the connection is abstruse. Anyhow, there was something rather pathetic about the display, for it seemed to say: "Oh doar, we tarmers are such back numbers that we cannot get up an exhibition of our own without calling in the aid of the latterday inventor and manufacturer to supplement our show." It appeared to explain the solemnity of the proceedings, which, in truth, savorede more of te last obsequies than the wedding feast, and the fir of paternatural gravity that dwelt on the face of Mr. F. K. Sturgis, the president of the Madison Square Garden Company, as he sauntered around the ring in the dim and chilly interval after the judging for the afternoon was over and the live stock was too much interested in its hay and

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After meeting twice yesterday the Board ast year on the opening day, and that take a recess until Monday next at 11 a. m., hings picked up until the show was rightly without declaring the result of the can-

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